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### ***ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER***

**Claims 34,35,37-44,46-52 and 54-60 are allowed.**

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### ***SUSPENSION OF ACTION***

The outcome of Reexamination No. 90/007128 of US Patent No. 6,427,421 has a material bearing on the patentability of the claims in this application. Prosecution in this application is **SUSPENDED FOR A PERIOD OF 6 MONTHS** from the mailing date of this letter. Upon expiration of the period of suspension, applicant should make an inquiry as to the status of the application.

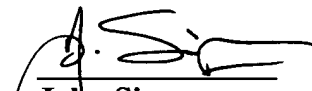
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